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OF FINDING THE
LONGITUDE

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Adapted to GENERAL USE,

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THE author presents the public with the following sheets, containing a new and easy method of finding the longitude at sea, by the moon's true central altitude; adapted to general use, with very little more trouble than the method by which the latitude is found, and with the like accuracy.

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The Tables (except one) are not more in number, than those made use of in taking an altitude of the sun; the operations rendered clear and easy, being such as mariners, in general, make use of in common navigation.

The Examples are calculated for north and south latitudes; for east and west distances; for morning, noon, and evening altitudes; for the moon's rising and falling; and all the variety of circumstances that may happen in the course of a long voyage, at any time of the year, or in any part of the world.

As the moon is perceptible about twenty-four days in each month, the mariner will have opportunities sufficient to make his observations in *day-time*; without a precarious dependence on the *night*, or a reliance on (perhaps)
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unskilful assistants, and ten or twelve tedious additional tables.

The Calculations made by the altitude of the moon's upper limb on the body of the sun, off George's Island in the South Sea (as in the seventh Example), will verify the ease and accuracy of this method at all visible eclipses of the sun.

The Illustration of the seven Examples, after the necessary Tables, will shew the truth of the altitudes of the moon at the meridians of Greenwich and the ship, by giving the same latitudes respectively, as the altitudes taken by the sun; and the increasing or diminishing the angle of time at the latter (when the longitude by account is incorrect) will appear very just and reasonable, whether the ship be a-head of the reckoning, or the reckoning a-head

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head of the ship. Upon the whole, he presumes it will be found to answer that purpose, for which a general and easy method has been so long, and so much wanted.

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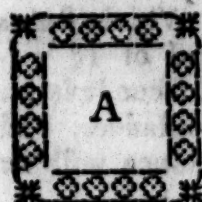


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Admitting that at the meridian of Greenwich, the Moon comes to that meridian (by the Ephemeris) at a certain hour and minute of the day; and the next day, I find she does not come to the same meridian 'till an hour after: consequently at 90 degrees west distance, (or 6 hours) she must be

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be (a) 15 minutes later in coming to their meridian, than at the meridian of Greenwich; at 180 degrees west distance, she must be 30 minutes later; and so on, till she has described her circle; and at 60 minutes difference of time, comes to the place of beginning.

This being granted, I take an altitude of the moon at such time as she riseth or falleth fastest, and most equable, admit it to be 10' (or the 6th part of a degree) in a minute; which shews that for 60 minutes, there must be 600' (or 10 degrees) difference of altitude from one day to the other, (or in the space of 24 hours): and that every hour and minute she is altering the same, from the time of her departure from the meridian of Greenwich, till her arrival there the next day. For instance, at 90 degrees west distance, she is (b) lower by (c) 150' (or 2° 30') than at the meridian of Greenwich: at 180 degrees west distance, she is lower by 300' (or 5° 00'): and so on 'till she finishes her circle.

(a) I have mentioned 15 minutes to avoid fractions, as they are the quarter of 60—(and 60 minutes an hour). But as the moon takes 25 hours (instead of 24) to describe her circle, there must be a proportionable deduction made from the first 15 minutes, and so on to the second, &c. In as much as 24 hours are less than 25. So that, if the 24th part of 60 minutes be 2 minutes and 30 seconds, the 25th part, will be found to be but 2 minutes and 24 seconds. Which shews that for the first 90 degrees (or 6 hours) instead of 15 minutes; the true time is but 14 minutes and 24 seconds later. Which deduction will consequently affect the distances, and instead of 150' (the first distance); the true distance will be found to be but 144'; and so on with all the rest.

(b) Here she is rising (or to the eastward of her time of southing); had she been falling (or to the westward of her time of southing) she had been so much higher, instead of so much lower, than at the meridian of Greenwich.

(c) See the last part of Note (a).

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EXAMPLE I.

The 10th day of July 1767, sailing (*d*) west, in the latitude of $47^{\circ} 15'$ south, and west longitude, by account $90^{\circ} 00'$ (or 6 hours in time); I observed at 6 o'clock, apparent time, P. M. the moon's true (*e*) central altitude to be $24^{\circ} 37'$, and that she was rising, equally, at the rate of $10'$ in a minute. I found that the same day (by the Ephemeris) the moon passed over the meridian of Greenwich at 11 h. 19 m. (or 19 minutes after 11 o'clock P. M.); and that the next day she should not come to the same meridian till 12 h. 19 m. So that proportionably by account, she should be 15 minutes later in passing the meridian at the ship, than at Greenwich. But by Note (*a*), the true time was found to be but 14 minutes and 24 seconds, and the true distance but $144'$ (or $2^{\circ} 24'$) west of the meridian of Greenwich.

(*d*) Had it been east, the altitude would have been so much higher than at the meridian of Greenwich, instead of so much lower.

(*e*) By the true central altitude, is meant that altitude, where proper allowances are made for the Moon's parallax in altitude, refraction, dip of the sea, and semi-diameter.

At 6 o'clock P. M. moon's lower limb	$23^{\circ} 33'$
Dip $4'$, refraction $2'$, deduct	$00 \quad 06$
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	$23 \quad 27$
Parallax in alt. $54'$, semi-diameter $16'$, add	$1 \quad 10$
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True central altitude	$24 \quad 37$
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N. B. Had it been her upper limb, you must have subtracted her semi-diameter, instead of added.

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I then (f) found that at the meridian of Greenwich, in the same latitude of $47^{\circ} 15'$ south, the moon's true central altitude was (g) $27^{\circ} 01'$, which being directly $2^{\circ} 24'$ more than the altitude at the ship, shews that the longitude by account was correct, and the ship not a-head of the reckoning, nor the reckoning a-head of the ship.

And in the like manner do all her intermediate altitudes for every hour and minute, correspond with their respective spaces of time.

(f) Long $90^{\circ} 00'$ W. apparent time of obs. by the sun $6^{\text{h}} 00^{\text{m}}$ P. M.
For $90^{\circ} 00'$ W. add $6^{\text{h}} 00^{\text{m}}$

Time at Greenwich $12^{\text{h}} 00^{\text{m}}$ P. M.

Moon's declination at $12^{\text{h}} 00^{\text{m}}$ P. M. } Pol. dist. $64^{\circ} 55'$
(by the Ephemeris) $25^{\circ} 05'$ S.

Moon's passage at same time $11^{\text{h}} 20^{\text{m}} 36^{\text{s}}$ P. M.
True time deduct $00^{\text{h}} 14^{\text{m}} 24^{\text{s}}$

Moon's passage at $6^{\text{h}} 00^{\text{m}}$ $11^{\text{h}} 06^{\text{m}} 12^{\text{s}}$ P. M.
Time of observation $6^{\text{h}} 00^{\text{m}} 00^{\text{s}}$ P. M.

Angle of time $5^{\text{h}} 06^{\text{m}} 12^{\text{s}}$

$5^{\text{h}} 06^{\text{m}} 12^{\text{s}}$ converted into } $76^{\circ} 33' \text{ S. Co. } 9,36660$
degrees and minutes } $42^{\circ} 45' \text{ T. Co. lat. } 9,96585$

$9,33245$

$14^{\circ} 08'$

$52^{\circ} 47'$

$12^{\circ} 08' \text{ S. Co. ar. } 0,00982$

$52^{\circ} 47' \text{ S. Co. } 9,78162$

$42^{\circ} 45' \text{ S. Co. lat. } 9,86588$

(g) $27^{\circ} 01'$ answering to $9,65732$

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EXAMPLE II.

The 6th day of March 1767, failing west in the latitude of $37^{\circ} 00'$ north, and west longitude, by account $75^{\circ} 00'$, at 2 o'clock, (*b*) apparent time, P. M. I observed the moon's true central altitude to be $47^{\circ} 35' \frac{1}{2}$, and that she was rising equally, at the rate of $12'$ in a minute. I found that the same day the moon passed over the meridian of Greenwich at 5h. 11' P. M. and that the next day, she should not come to the same meridian till 6h. 07', which is 56' later. So that proportionably, if 6 hours give 14 minutes; 5 hours will give 11 minutes and 40 seconds later in passing the meridian at the ship, than at Greenwich. But by Note (*a*), the true time was found to be but 11 minutes, and 10 seconds, and consequently the true distance but 134.

(*b*) By apparent time, is meant that time shewn by the sun, and is generally found by the sun's altitude, taken at the distance of two hours, or more, from meridian time; and and on the same day that you have had a good observation of the sun at noon, so that you may know your true latitude, at the time of taking such an altitude.

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I then (i) found that at the meridian of Greenwich, in the same latitude of $37^{\circ} 00'$ north, the moon's true central altitude was (k) $49^{\circ} 43' \frac{1}{2}$, which being but $128'$ (or 2 degrees and 8 minutes) more than the altitude at the ship, instead of 134 (or 2 degrees and 14 minutes) shews that the longitude by account was incorrect, and that the reckoning was a-head of the ship $6'$, which is equal to 3 degrees and 20 minutes, and consequently leaves the true longitude at $71^{\circ} 40'$ west (instead of $75^{\circ} 00'$).

(i)	Long $75^{\circ} 00' W.$	apparent time of obs. by the Sun	h. $2^{\circ} 00' P. M.$
	For $73^{\circ} 00' W.$	add	$5^{\circ} 00'$

Time at Greenwich $7^{\circ} 00' P. M.$

Moon's declination at $7h. 00' P. M.$	26°	} Pol. dist. $63^{\circ} 44'$
$16' N.$		

Moon's passage at same time	h. $5^{\circ} 15' 34'' P. M.$
True time deduct	$0^{\circ} 11' 10''$

Moon's passage at $2h. 00' P. M.$	$5^{\circ} 04' 24''$
Time of observation	$2^{\circ} 00' 00''$

Angle of time $3^{\circ} 04' 24''$

$3h. 04' 24''$ converted into degrees and minutes	} $46^{\circ} 06' S. Co.$	$9,84098$

$53^{\circ} 00' T. C. lat. 10,12288$

9.96386

$42^{\circ} 37'$

$21^{\circ} 07'$

$42^{\circ} 37' S. Co. ar. 0,13320$

$21^{\circ} 07' S. Co. 9,96982$

$53^{\circ} 00' S. Co. lat. 9,77946$

(k) $49^{\circ} 43' \frac{1}{2}$ answering to $9,88248$

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The foregoing examples, in north and south latitudes, being to the west, and made in the afternoon, the following examples are to the eastward of the meridian of Greenwich, and made in the morning.

EXAMPLE III.

The 10th day of July 1768, sailing east, in the lat. of $46^{\circ}52'$ north, and east long. by account $75^{\circ}00'$; at 5 o'clock in the morning, apparent time, I observed the moon's true central altitude to be $45^{\circ}24'$, and that she was rising, equally, at the rate of $10'$ in a minute; I found that she should pass over the meridian of Greenwich at 29 minutes after 8 o'clock the same morning, and that the next morning she should not come to the same meridian 'till 29 minutes after 9 o'clock. So that proportionably by account, if 6 hours give 15 minutes, 5 hours will give but 12 minutes and 30 seconds, earlier in passing the meridian at the ship than at Greenwich. But by Note (a), the true time was found to be but (l) 12 minutes, and the true distance but 120.

(l) If $1500'$ (which are the number of minutes contained in 25 hours) give 60 minutes, $1440'$ (which are the number of minutes contained in 24 hours) will give $57' 36''$

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Then, if 24 hours give 3456 seconds, 1 hour will give 144 seconds (or $2' 24''$) which $2' 24''$ being multiplied by 5 h. (the number of hours to the east by account) will give $12' 00''$.

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I then (*m*) found that at the meridian of Greenwich, in the same latitude of $46^{\circ} 52'$ north, the moon's true central altitude was (*n*) $43^{\circ} 24'$, which being exactly $120'$ (or 2 degrees) less than the altitude at the ship, shews that the longitude, by account, was perfectly right.

(<i>m</i>)	h.
Long. $75^{\circ} 00'$ E. app. time of obs. by the	} 17 00
sun 5 h. $00'$ A. M. of the 10th day, or	
For $75^{\circ} 00'$ E. deduct	5 00
Time at Greenwich	12 00 P. M. the 9th.
Moon's decl. at 12 h. $00'$ P. M. of the 9th	} Pol. Dist. $67^{\circ} 08'$
day $22^{\circ} 52'$ N.	
Moon's passage at same time	h. 20 8 $\frac{38}{100}$ P. M.
True time add	00 12 00
Moon's pas. at 5 h. $00'$ A. M. of the 10th day	20 20 38 P. M.
Time of obs. 5 h. $00'$ of the 10th day, or	17 00 00
Angle of time	3 20 38
3 h. $20'$ $38''$ converted } into deg. and min. }	} $50^{\circ} 09\frac{1}{2}'$ S. Co. 9,80662
	43 08 T. Co. lat. 9,97168
	9,77830
	30 58 $\frac{3}{4}$
	36 09 $\frac{3}{4}$
	30 58 $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Co. ar. 0,06680
	36 09 $\frac{3}{4}$ S. Co. 9,90705
	43 08 S. Co. lat. 9,86317
(<i>n</i>) $43^{\circ} 24'$ answering to	9,83702

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EXAMPLE IV.

The 1st day of September 1772, sailing east, in the latitude of (o) $20^{\circ} 48'$ south, and east longitude by account, $172^{\circ} 00'$ at (p) 28 minutes after 11 o'clock, A. M. apparent time, I observed the moon's true central altitude to be $39^{\circ} 24\frac{1}{2}'$, and that she was rising, equally, at the rate of $14'$ in a minute. I found that she should pass over the meridian of Greenwich at 28 minutes after 3 o'clock, P. M. (the same day), and that she should not come to the same meridian till 24 minutes after 4 o'clock, P. M. the next day. So that proportionably by account (the difference being 56 minutes) she should be 26 minutes and 45 seconds earlier in passing the meridian at the ship than at Greenwich. But by Note (1), the true time was found to be but 25 minutes and 45 seconds, and the true distance to be $360\frac{1}{2}'$, or $6^{\circ} 00\frac{1}{2}'$.

(o) When your observation of the moon is made in the morning, it is the latitude made at noon of the same day, you are to go by; not the latitude made the day before; during which interval, the vessel should be kept due east, or west.

(p) A watch with a second-hand, would be most eligible on this occasion, and it should be hung to your quadrant in such a position, that the instant you take your altitude, you should perceive the moment of time.

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I then (q) found that at the meridian of Greenwich, in the same latitude of $20^{\circ} 48'$ south, the moon's true central altitude was (r) $33^{\circ} 24'$, which being directly $6^{\circ} 00\frac{1}{2}'$ less than the altitude at the ship, shews that the longitude by account was correct.

(q)		
Long. $172^{\circ} 00'$ E. ap. time of obs. by	h.	
the sun $11^h. 28'$ A.M. of 1st day, or	23	28
For $172^{\circ} 00'$ E. deduct	11	28

Time at Greenwich 12 00 P.M. the 31st Aug.

Moon's decl. at $12^h. 00'$ P. M. of the 31st } Pol. dist. $80^{\circ} 31'$
of Aug. $9^{\circ} 29'$ S.

	h.	
Moon's passage at same time	2	53 15 P.M.
True time add	00	25 45

Moon's pas. at $11^h. 28'$ A.M. of the 1st 3 19 00 P.M.
Time of observation 11 28 00 A.M.

Angle of time 3 51 00
3h. $51' 00''$ converted into } $57^{\circ} 45'$ S. Co. 9,72722
degrees and minutes }
69 12 T. Co. lat. 10,42037

10,14759

54 33 $\frac{1}{4}$

25 57 $\frac{3}{4}$

54 33 $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Co. ar. 0,23662

25 57 $\frac{3}{4}$ S. Co. 9,95379

69 12 S. Co. lat. 9,55034

(r) $33^{\circ} 24'$ answering to 9,74075

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As I have treated hitherto of the moon's rising only (that is when she is to the eastward considerably of her time of southing) I shall now give some examples of her falling (or when she is considerably to the westward of her time of southing.)

EXAMPLE V.

The 30th day of March 1770, sailing west, in the latitude of $50^{\circ} 20'$ north, and west longitude, by account $90^{\circ} 00'$, at 15 minutes after 6 o'clock, P. M. apparent time, I observed the moon's true central altitude to be $43^{\circ} 05\frac{1}{2}'$, and that she was falling, equally, at the rate of $9'$ in a minute. I found likewise, that she had passed over the meridian of Greenwich at 2h. 47' P. M. and that she should come to that meridian again at 3h. 46' the next day. So that proportionably by account, (the difference being (s) 59 minutes) she should be 14 minutes and 45 seconds later in passing the meridian at the ship, than at Greenwich. But by Note (l) the true time was found to be but 14 minutes and 10 seconds, and the true distance $127\frac{1}{2}'$.

(s) As the Ephemeris makes no mention of seconds in the column of the moon's passage over the meridian—it is only finding her right ascension to the hour and minute of both days (by the common method) which with the sun's right ascension in time, will give you the moon's true time of passage each day, and consequently the time between both days, in minutes and seconds.

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I then (t) found that at the meridian of Greenwich, in the same latitude of $50^{\circ} 20'$ north, the moon's true central altitude was (u) $40^{\circ} 54'$, which being $131\frac{1}{2}'$ less than the altitude at the ship, instead of $127\frac{1}{2}'$ (or 2 degrees 7 minutes and a half) shews that the longitude by account was incorrect, and that the ship was a head of the reckoning $4'$, which is equal to $2^{\circ} 48'$, and consequently makes the true longitude $92^{\circ} 48'$ west, (instead of $90^{\circ} 00'$.)

(t) h.
 Long $90^{\circ} 00'$ W. apparent time of obs. by the sun 6 15 P. M.
 For $90^{\circ} 00'$ W. add 6 00

Time at Greenwich 12 15 P. M.

Moon's declination at 12h. 15', P. M. $20^{\circ} 40' N.$ } Pol. dist. $69^{\circ} 20'$

h.
 Moon's passage at same time 3 08 46 P. M.
 True time deduct 00 14 10

Moon's passage at 6 h. 15' 2 54 36 P. M.
 Time of observation 6 15 00 P. M.

Angle of time 3 20 24

3h. 20' 24" converted into }
 degrees and minutes } $50^{\circ} 06' S.$ Co. 9,80715
39 40 T. Co. lat. 9,91867
9,72582
28 00 $\frac{1}{2}$
41 19 $\frac{1}{2}$

$28^{\circ} 00\frac{1}{2}' S.$ Co. ar. 0,05410
 $41 19\frac{1}{2}' S.$ Co. 9,87561
 $39 40' S.$ Co. lat. 9,88635

(u) $40^{\circ} 54'$ answering to 9,81606

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EXAMPLE VI.

The 22d day of March 1772, sailing east, in the latitude of $27^{\circ} 00'$ south, and east longitude, by account $105^{\circ} 00'$, at 7 o'clock in the morning, apparent time, I observed the moon's true central altitude to be $24^{\circ} 49'$, and that she was falling, equally, at the rate of $14'$ in a minute. I found that she should pass over the meridian of Greenwich (x) at 30 minutes after 2 o'clock the same morning, and that the next morning she should come to the same meridian at 27 minutes after 3 o'clock. So that proportionably by account (the difference being 57 minutes) she should be 16 minutes and $37\frac{1}{2}$ seconds earlier in passing the meridian at the ship, than at Greenwich. But by Note (1), the true time was found to be but 15 minutes and 59 seconds, and the true distance to be $213\frac{1}{2}$, (or $3^{\circ} 33\frac{1}{2}'$.)

(x) By 30 minutes after 2 o'clock, in the morning of the 22d day of March, is to be understood 14 hours and 30 minutes of the 21st day of March; as all astronomical accounts, with respect to apparent time, begin the day at noon, and count up to 24 hours, or the succeeding noon—when the day begins again.

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I then (y) found that at the meridian of Greenwich, in the same latitude of $27^{\circ} 00'$ south, the moon's true central altitude was (z) $28^{\circ} 22\frac{1}{2}'$, which being precisely $3^{\circ} 33\frac{1}{2}'$ more than the altitude at the ship, shews that the longitude by account was perfectly right.

(y)		h.
Long. $105^{\circ} 00'$ E. app. time of obs. by the	}	19 00
sun 7h. 00' A.M. of the 22d day, or		
For $105^{\circ} 00'$ E. deduct		7 00

Time at Greenwich 12 00 P.M. the 21st.

Moon's decl. at 12h. 00' P.M. of the 21st	}	Pol. Dist. $76^{\circ} 09'$
day $13^{\circ} 51'$ S.		

Moon's passage at same time	h.	
	14	24 18 P.M.
True time add	00	15 59

Moon's pas. at 7h. 00' A.M. of the 22d day	14 40 17 P.M.
Time of obs. 7h. 00' A.M. of 22d day, or	19 00 00

Angle of time 4 19 43

4h. 19' 43" converted	}	$64^{\circ} 55\frac{3}{4}'$ S. Co. 9,62710
into deg. and min.		
		63 00 T. Co. la. 10,29283

9,91993

39 45

36 24

39 45 S. Co. at. 0,11416

36 24 S. Co. 9,90572

63 00 S. Co. lat. 9,65704

(z) $28^{\circ} 22\frac{1}{2}'$ answering to 9,67692

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From the foregoing examples, the reader may observe, that in clear weather, at all times nearly, and in all latitudes (while the moon is perceptible, which is twenty-four days in each month) the longitude may be readily found at sea, with the greatest accuracy, without having recourse to stars, or nocturnal observations. And that even at all visible eclipses of the sun, the foregoing method will hold good by observing the moon's (*aa*) upper or lower limb on the body of the sun, near the middle of such eclipse, and from thence finding her true central altitude by Note (*e*).

EXAMPLE VII.

The 25th day of July 1767, sailing west, in the latitude of $17^{\circ} 30'$ south, and west longitude, by account $149^{\circ} 00'$, at half an hour after 7 o'clock in the morning, apparent time, I observed the moon's true central altitude to be (*bb*) $14^{\circ} 46\frac{1}{4}'$, and that she was rising, equally, at the rate of $12\frac{3}{4}'$ in a minute. I also found that she had passed over the meridian of Greenwich at 23h. 45' P. M. of the 24th day (which was 50 minutes later than the day before) and that she should not come to the same meridian the next day till oh. 31', which is but 46 minutes later: now as the observation was made at such time as nearly to take in equal moieties from the 50 minutes, and the 46 minutes, it leaves the true mean time at 48 minutes, from one day to the other. So that proportionably by

(*aa*) Her upper limb is to be taken when the sun is higher; and her lower limb, when she is higher than the sun; or either when the eclipse is central.

(*bb*) See Page 17.

account,

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account, she should be $19' 52''$ later in passing the meridian at the ship, than at Greenwich; but by Note (a), and (l), I found the true time to be but $19' 06''$, and the true distance but $242\frac{1}{4}'$, (or $4^{\circ} 02\frac{1}{4}'$).

I then (cc) found that at the meridian of Greenwich, in the same latitude of $17^{\circ} 30'$ south, the moon's true central altitude to be (dd) $18^{\circ} 48\frac{1}{2}'$, which being exactly $4^{\circ} 02\frac{1}{4}'$ more than the altitude at the ship, shews that the longitude, by account, was perfectly right.

(cc) 0	h.	
Long. $149^{\circ} 00' W.$ apparent time of obs. by the Sun	7	30^m A.M.
For $149^{\circ} 00' W.$ add	9	56^m

Time at Greenwich $5^h 26^m$ P.M.

Moon's decl. at $5^h 26^m$ P. M. of the 25th	} Pol. dist. $109^{\circ} 43'$
$19^{\circ} 43' N.$	

	h.	
Moon's passage at same time	23	$56^m 26^s$
True time deduct	00	$19^m 06^s$

Moon's pas. at $7^h 30^m$ A. M. of 25th d.	23	37	20
Time of obs. $7^h 30^m$ A. M. of 25th d. or 19	19	30	00

Angle of time $4^h 07^m 20^s$

4h.07'20" converted into degrees and minutes }	$61^{\circ} 50'$ S. Co.	9,67398
	$72^{\circ} 30'$ T. C. lat. 10,50127	

10,17525

56 15 $\frac{1}{2}$

53 27 $\frac{1}{2}$

56 $13\frac{1}{3}$ S. Co. ar.	0,25538
53 $29\frac{2}{3}$ S. Co.	9,77481
72 30 S. Co. lat.	<u>9,47815</u>

(da) $18^{\circ} 48\frac{1}{2}'$ answering to 9,50834

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At all observations made of the moon, when distant from the meridian, I found it necessary to take the altitudes at equal intervals of time, divided in such manner, that those intervals when put together should make up nearly the true time at the ship: for instance, in the last (ee) Example, the true time was found to be 19 minutes, and 6 seconds: now as 19' 6" was nearest to 20, I took that number; so that the first altitude was taken at 20 minutes after 7 o'clock in the morning, apparent time, the second at 30 minutes after 7 o'clock, and the third altitude at 40 minutes after 7 o'clock—as below (ff).

(ee) See Page 15.			Observed alt. moon's upper limb from the horizon.	
(ff) July 25th 1767 A. M. ap- parent time.				
h.	m.	s.		
7	20	00	12 11	
7	30	00	14 17	
7	40	00	16 22	
Mean time			Mean alt. moon's upper limb.	
7	30	00	14 16 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Dip. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ', refraction 3 $\frac{1}{2}$, deduct			00 08 $\frac{1}{4}$	
By Note (c), sub semidiameter			14 08 $\frac{1}{4}$	
			00 15	
			13 53 $\frac{1}{4}$	
Parallax in altitude add			00 53	
True central altitude			14 46 $\frac{1}{4}$	

N. B. the same method is to be observed with respect to apparent time, found by the sun's altitude, taken at a proper distance from the meridian, but as the parallax of the sun is so small as 10 seconds, it is generally left out.

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18 METHOD OF FINDING, &c.

When your observation is made at some hours distance from noon or midnight, and that you cannot directly find the moon's declination in the Ephemeris (it being put down only for those two certain times) you will find proper directions in the Ephemeris to calculate your declination to the hour and minute of such observation with the greatest accuracy. Among the Tables necessary for observations of this kind, I have given (*gg*) those for finding the Correction of the Moon's Declination for any Hour after Noon or Midnight. The other Tables are in order following, viz. A Table (*bb*) of Refraction; Tables (*ii*) of the Moon's Parallax in Altitude; Tables (*kk*) to Convert Time into Degrees and Minutes, and the contrary; and A Table (*ll*) of the Dip of the Horizon at Sea.

(*gg*) See Page 20, 21.

(*ii*) See Page 23, 24, 25.

(*ll*) See Page 29.

(*bb*) See Page 22.

(*kk*) See Page 26, 27, 28.

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TO METHOD OF FINDING

TABLES for finding the Longitude of the
Moon's Position for any Hour of the Moon
or Midnight.



T A B L E S

Necessary to be Used with the foregoing

E X A M P L E S.



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TABLES for finding the Correction of the Moon's Declination for any Hour After Noon or Midnight.

After Noon or Midnight.		Second Difference.										After Noon or Midnight.	
H.	M.	1'	2'	3'	4'	5'	6'	7'	8'	9'	10'	H.	M.
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0
0	10	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	11	50
0	20	1	2	2	3	4	5	6	6	7	8	11	40
0	30	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	10	11	12	11	30
0	40	2	4	5	7	8	9	11	13	14	16	11	20
0	50	2	4	6	8	10	11	13	15	17	19	11	10
1	0	2	5	7	9	11	14	16	18	21	23	11	0
1	10	3	6	8	11	13	16	18	21	24	26	10	50
1	20	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	23	27	30	10	40
1	30	3	7	10	13	16	20	23	26	29	33	10	30
1	40	4	7	11	14	18	22	25	29	32	36	10	20
1	50	4	8	12	16	19	24	27	31	35	39	10	10
2	0	4	8	12	17	21	25	29	33	37	42	10	0
2	10	4	9	13	18	22	26	31	35	40	44	9	50
2	20	5	9	14	19	23	28	33	38	42	47	9	40
2	30	5	10	15	20	25	30	34	40	44	49	9	30
2	40	5	10	15	21	26	31	36	42	47	52	9	20
2	50	5	11	16	22	27	32	38	43	49	54	9	10
3	0	6	11	17	23	28	34	39	45	51	56	9	0
3	10	6	11	17	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	8	50
3	20	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	8	40
3	30	6	12	18	25	31	37	43	49	56	62	8	30
3	40	6	12	19	25	32	38	45	51	58	63	8	20
3	50	6	13	19	26	33	39	46	52	59	65	8	10
4	0	7	13	20	27	33	40	47	53	60	67	8	0
4	10	7	13	20	27	34	41	47	54	61	68	7	50
4	20	7	14	21	28	35	42	48	55	62	69	7	40
4	30	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	7	30
4	40	7	14	21	28	36	43	50	57	64	71	7	20
4	50	7	14	22	29	36	44	51	58	65	72	7	10
5	0	7	14	22	29	36	44	51	59	66	73	7	0
5	30	7	15	22	30	37	45	52	60	67	74	6	30
6	0	8	15	23	30	38	46	53	60	68	75	6	0

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TABLES for finding the Correction of the Moon's Declination for any Hour After Noon or Midnight.

After Noon or Midnight		Second Difference.										After Noon or Midnight	
		11'	12'	13'	14'	15'	16'	17'	18'	19'	20'		
H.	M.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	H.	M.
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0
0	10	5	5	6	7	7	7	8	8	9	9	11	50
0	20	9	9	10	11	12	12	13	14	14	16	11	40
0	30	13	14	15	16	18	19	20	21	23	24	11	30
0	40	17	18	20	22	23	25	27	28	30	31	11	20
0	50	21	22	25	26	28	30	33	35	36	38	11	10
1	0	25	27	30	32	34	36	39	40	42	45	11	0
1	10	29	32	35	37	40	42	44	46	48	52	10	50
1	20	32	35	38	41	44	47	49	52	55	59	10	40
1	30	36	39	42	45	49	52	55	59	62	65	10	30
1	40	39	43	46	50	53	57	61	64	68	72	10	20
1	50	42	46	49	54	58	62	66	69	73	77	10	10
2	0	45	50	54	58	62	67	71	75	79	83	10	0
2	10	48	53	57	62	66	71	75	80	84	89	9	50
2	20	51	56	61	66	70	75	80	85	89	94	9	40
2	30	54	59	64	69	74	79	84	89	94	99	9	30
2	40	57	62	67	72	78	83	88	93	98	103	9	20
2	50	59	64	70	75	81	87	92	97	102	108	9	10
3	0	61	67	73	78	84	90	96	101	106	112	9	0
3	10	64	70	75	81	87	93	99	104	110	117	8	50
3	20	66	72	78	83	90	96	102	108	114	121	8	40
3	30	68	74	80	87	93	99	105	111	118	124	8	30
3	40	70	76	82	89	95	102	108	115	121	127	8	20
3	50	71	78	84	91	97	104	110	118	124	130	8	10
4	0	73	80	86	93	100	107	113	120	127	133	8	0
4	10	75	82	88	95	102	109	115	122	129	136	7	50
4	20	76	83	90	97	103	110	117	124	131	138	7	40
4	30	77	84	91	98	105	112	119	126	133	140	7	30
4	40	78	85	92	99	106	113	120	128	135	142	7	20
4	50	79	86	93	101	107	115	122	130	137	144	7	10
5	0	80	87	94	102	109	117	124	131	139	146	7	0
5	30	82	89	96	104	111	119	126	134	142	148	6	30
6	0	83	91	97	105	112	120	127	135	143	150	6	0

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A TABLE of Refraction.

Alt.	Ref.	Alt.	Ref.	Alt.	Ref.	Alt.	Ref.	Alt.	Ref.
0 0	33 0	4 50	10 12	10 30	5 0	26 0	1 55	59 0	0 34
5 32	10	5 0	9 54	10 45	4 53	27	1 51	60	33
10 31	22	5 10	9 38	11 04	4 47	28	1 47	61	32
15 30	36	5 20	9 24	11 15	4 40	29	1 42	62	30
20 29	50	5 30	9 9	11 30	4 35	30	1 38	63	29
30 28	23	5 40	8 54	11 45	4 29	31	1 35	64	28
32 28	5	5 50	8 41	12 04	4 23	32	1 31	65	26
36 27	30	6 0	8 28	12 20	4 16	33	1 28	66	25
40 26	59	6 10	8 15	12 40	4 9	34	1 24	67	24
50 25	42	6 20	8 3	13 04	3 35	35	1 21	68	23
1 0 24	29	6 30	7 51	13 20	3 57	36	1 18	69	22
1 10 23	19	6 40	7 40	13 40	3 51	37	1 15	70	21
1 20 22	15	6 50	7 30	14 03	45	38	1 13	71	19
1 30 21	14	7 0	7 20	14 20	3 40	39	1 10	72	18
1 40 20	18	7 10	7 11	14 40	3 35	40	1 8	73	17
1 50 19	25	7 20	7 2	15 03	29	41	1 6	74	16
2 0 18	35	7 30	6 54	15 30	24	42	1 3	75	15
2 10 17	48	7 40	6 45	16 03	17	43	1 1	76	14
2 20 17	4	7 50	6 37	16 30	3 10	44	59	77	13
2 30 16	24	8 0	6 29	17 03	5	45	57	78	12
2 40 15	46	8 10	6 22	17 30	2 59	46	55	79	11
2 50 15	9	8 20	6 15	18 02	54	47	53	80	10
3 0 14	36	8 30	6 8	18 30	2 49	48	51	81	9
3 10 14	4	8 40	6 1	19 02	44	49	49	82	8
3 20 13	34	8 50	5 55	19 30	2 39	50	47	83	7
3 30 13	6	9 0	5 48	20 02	35	51	46	84	6
3 40 12	40	9 10	5 42	20 30	2 31	52	44	85	5
3 50 12	14	9 20	5 36	21 02	27	53	43	86	4
4 0 11	51	9 30	5 31	21 30	2 24	54	41	87	3
4 10 11	29	9 40	5 25	22 02	20	55	39	88	2
4 20 11	8	9 50	5 20	23 02	14	56	38	89	1
4 30 10	48	10 0	5 15	24 02	7	57	37	90	0
4 40 10	30	10 15	5 8	25 02	1	58	36		

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TABLES of the Moon's Parallax in Altitude.

Moon's Alt.	Moon's Horizontal Parallax.									
°	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
1	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
2	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
3	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
4	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
5	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
6	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
7	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
8	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	
9	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	
10	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	
11	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	
12	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	
13	53	54	55	55	56	57	58	59	60	
14	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	
15	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	
16	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	58	59	
17	52	53	54	54	55	56	57	58	59	
18	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	
19	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	
20	51	52	53	54	54	55	56	57	58	
21	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	
22	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	56	57	
23	50	51	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	
24	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	
25	49	50	51	52	53	53	54	55	56	
26	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	
27	48	49	50	51	52	53	53	54	55	
28	48	49	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	
29	47	48	49	50	51	52	52	53	54	
30	47	48	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	

TABLES of the Moon's Parallax in Altitude.

Moon's Alt.	Moon's Horiz. Parallax.									
°	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
31	46	47	48	49	50	51	51	52	53	
32	46	47	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	
33	45	46	47	48	49	49	50	51	52	
34	45	46	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	
35	44	45	46	47	47	48	49	50	51	
36	44	44	45	46	47	48	48	49	50	
37	43	44	45	45	46	47	48	49	50	
38	43	43	44	45	46	46	47	48	49	
39	42	43	43	44	45	46	47	47	48	
40	41	42	43	44	44	45	46	47	48	
41	41	41	42	43	44	44	45	46	47	
42	40	41	42	42	43	44	45	45	46	
43	39	40	41	42	42	43	44	45	46	
44	39	40	40	41	42	42	43	44	45	
45	38	39	40	40	41	42	43	43	44	
46	37	38	39	40	40	41	42	42	43	
47	37	38	38	39	40	40	41	42	43	
48	36	37	37	38	39	39	40	41	42	
49	35	36	37	37	38	39	39	40	41	
50	35	35	36	37	37	38	39	39	40	
51	34	35	35	36	36	37	38	38	39	
52	33	34	34	35	36	36	37	38	39	
53	32	33	34	34	35	35	36	37	38	
54	32	32	33	33	34	35	35	36	37	
55	31	31	32	33	33	34	34	35	36	
56	30	31	31	32	32	33	34	34	35	
57	29	30	30	31	32	32	33	33	34	
58	29	29	30	30	31	31	32	32	33	
59	28	28	29	29	30	30	31	31	32	
60	27	27	28	28	29	29	30	30	30	

TABLES of the Moon's Parallax in Altitude.

Moon's Alt.	Moon's Horiz. Parallax.									
°	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	
61	26	27	27	28	28	29	29	30	30	
62	25	26	26	27	27	28	28	29	29	
63	24	25	25	26	26	27	27	28	28	
64	24	24	24	25	25	26	26	27	27	
65	23	23	24	24	24	25	25	26	26	
66	22	22	23	23	24	24	24	25	25	
67	21	21	22	22	23	23	23	24	24	
68	20	21	21	21	22	22	22	23	23	
69	19	20	20	20	21	21	21	22	22	
70	18	19	19	19	20	20	20	21	21	
71	18	18	18	19	19	19	19	20	20	
72	17	17	17	18	18	18	18	19	19	
73	16	16	16	17	17	17	17	18	18	
74	15	15	15	16	16	16	16	17	17	
75	14	14	14	15	15	15	15	16	16	
76	13	13	14	14	14	14	14	15	15	
77	12	12	13	13	13	13	13	14	14	
78	11	11	12	12	12	12	12	13	13	
79	10	10	11	11	11	11	11	12	12	
80	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	11	
81	8	9	9	9	9	9	9	10	10	
82	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	
83	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	
84	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	7	
85	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
86	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
87	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
88	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
89	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
90	C	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	

TABLES to convert Time into Degrees and Minutes, and the contrary.

D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.
1	0	4	3	1	2	4	6	1	4	4	9
2	0	8	3	2	2	8	6	2	4	8	9
3	0	12	3	3	2	12	6	3	4	12	9
4	0	16	3	4	2	16	6	4	4	16	9
5	0	20	3	5	2	20	6	5	4	20	9
6	0	24	3	6	2	24	6	6	4	24	9
7	0	28	3	7	2	28	6	7	4	28	9
8	0	32	3	8	2	32	6	8	4	32	9
9	0	36	3	9	2	36	6	9	4	36	9
10	0	40	4	0	2	40	7	0	4	40	10
11	0	44	4	1	2	44	7	1	4	44	10
12	0	48	4	2	2	48	7	2	4	48	10
13	0	52	4	3	2	52	7	3	4	52	10
14	0	56	4	4	2	56	7	4	4	56	10
15	1	0	4	5	3	0	7	5	5	0	10
16	1	4	4	6	3	4	7	6	5	4	10
17	1	8	4	7	3	8	7	7	5	8	10
18	1	12	4	8	3	12	7	8	5	12	10
19	1	16	4	9	3	16	7	9	5	16	10
20	1	20	5	0	3	20	8	0	5	20	10
21	1	24	5	1	3	24	8	1	5	24	11
22	1	28	5	2	3	28	8	2	5	28	11
23	1	32	5	3	3	32	8	3	5	32	11
24	1	36	5	4	3	36	8	4	5	36	11
25	1	40	5	5	3	40	8	5	5	40	11
26	1	44	5	6	3	44	8	6	5	44	11
27	1	48	5	7	3	48	8	7	5	48	11
28	1	52	5	8	3	52	8	8	5	52	11
29	1	56	5	9	3	56	8	9	5	56	11
30	2	0	6	0	4	0	9	0	6	0	12

TABLES to convert Time into Degrees and Minutes, and the contrary.

D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.
121	8	4	151	10	4	181	12	4	211	14	4
122	8	8	152	10	8	182	12	8	212	14	8
123	8	12	153	10	12	183	12	12	213	14	12
124	8	16	154	10	16	184	12	16	214	14	16
125	8	20	155	10	20	185	12	20	215	14	20
126	8	24	156	10	24	186	12	24	216	14	24
127	8	28	157	10	28	187	12	28	217	14	28
128	8	32	158	10	32	188	12	32	218	14	32
129	8	36	159	10	36	189	12	36	219	14	36
130	8	40	160	10	40	190	12	40	220	14	40
131	8	44	161	10	44	191	12	44	221	14	44
132	8	48	162	10	48	192	12	48	222	14	48
133	8	52	163	10	52	193	12	52	223	14	52
134	8	56	164	10	56	194	12	56	224	14	56
135	9	0	165	11	0	195	13	0	225	15	0
136	9	4	166	11	4	196	13	4	226	15	4
137	9	8	167	11	8	197	13	8	227	15	8
138	9	12	168	11	12	198	13	12	228	15	12
139	9	16	169	11	16	199	13	16	229	15	16
140	9	20	170	11	20	200	13	20	230	15	20
141	9	24	171	11	24	201	13	24	231	15	24
142	9	28	172	11	28	202	13	28	232	15	28
143	9	32	173	11	32	203	13	32	233	15	32
144	9	36	174	11	36	204	13	36	234	15	36
145	9	40	175	11	40	205	13	40	235	15	40
146	9	44	176	11	44	206	13	44	236	15	44
147	9	48	177	11	48	207	13	48	237	15	48
148	9	52	178	11	52	208	13	52	238	15	52
149	9	56	179	11	56	209	13	56	239	15	56
150	10	0	180	12	0	210	14	0	240	16	0

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TABLES to convert Time into Degrees and Minutes, and the contrary.

D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.	D.	H.	M.
241	16	4	271	18	4	301	20	4	331	22	4
242	16	8	272	18	8	302	20	8	332	22	8
243	16	12	273	18	12	303	20	12	333	22	12
244	16	16	274	18	16	304	20	16	334	22	16
245	16	20	275	18	20	305	20	20	335	22	20
246	16	24	276	18	24	306	20	24	336	22	24
247	16	28	277	18	28	307	20	28	337	22	28
248	16	32	278	18	32	308	20	32	338	22	32
249	16	36	279	18	36	309	20	36	339	22	36
250	16	40	280	18	40	310	20	40	340	22	40
251	16	44	281	18	44	311	20	44	341	22	44
252	16	48	282	18	48	312	20	48	342	22	48
253	16	52	283	18	52	313	20	52	343	22	52
254	16	56	284	18	56	314	20	56	344	22	56
255	17	0	285	19	0	315	21	0	345	23	0
256	17	4	286	19	4	316	21	4	346	23	4
257	17	8	287	19	8	317	21	8	347	23	8
258	17	12	288	19	12	318	21	12	348	23	12
259	17	16	289	19	16	319	21	16	349	23	16
260	17	20	290	19	20	320	21	20	350	23	20
261	17	24	291	19	24	321	21	24	351	23	24
262	17	28	292	19	28	322	21	28	352	23	28
263	17	32	293	19	32	323	21	32	353	23	32
264	17	36	294	19	36	324	21	36	354	23	36
265	17	40	295	19	40	325	21	40	355	23	40
266	17	44	296	19	44	326	21	44	356	23	44
267	17	48	297	19	48	327	21	48	357	23	48
268	17	52	298	19	52	328	21	52	358	23	52
269	17	56	299	19	56	329	21	56	359	23	56
270	18	0	300	20	0	330	22	0	360	24	0

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A TABLE of the Dip of the Horizon at Sea,

Height of the Eye above the Sea.	Dip of the Sea.	
Feet.	'	''
1	0	55
2	1	10
3	1	35
4	1	50
5	2	5
6	2	18
7	2	29
8	2	40
9	2	50
10	3	0
12	3	15
14	3	30
16	3	45
18	4	0
20	4	15
22	4	30
24	4	45
26	4	55
28	5	5
30	5	15
35	5	45
40	6	9
45	6	30
50	6	48
60	7	36
70	8	0
80	8	30
90	9	0
100	9	30
110	10	0

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The foregoing Tables, with the Ephemeris, and a correct Table of Logarithmic Sines and Tangents, are all that are necessary for finding the Longitude at Sea.—But the observator should be particularly careful of his proportion and accuracy in the last mentioned Table, as a very small mistake *there*, might make a sensible difference with respect to the truth of his observation. I would therefore recommend to him (as a proof of his work) to try whether the altitude taken by the moon, would give the same latitude precisely at the meridian of Greenwich, as that taken by the sun: if not, there is certainly a mistake in the work, and he should carefully look over it again, till he exactly made it agree with that latitude obtained by observation of the sun. Nay, the altitude at the ship, should give the same latitude as that at the meridian of Greenwich, and both correspond respectively with each other. For (a) instance, in

(a) See Page 3, and 4.

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EXAMPLE I.

The 10th (b) day of July 1767, at six o'clock in the afternoon, apparent time, in the latitude of $47^{\circ} 15'$ south, the moon's true central altitude was found to be $27^{\circ} 01'$ at the meridian of Greenwich; and her true central altitude at the ship $24^{\circ} 37'$; the angle of time was 5h. 6' 12" at the former, and at the latter 5h. 20' 36", with $25^{\circ} 05'$ south declination.—Then,

The ang. of time } At Greenwich.	
which is 5h. 6'	
12" conv. into	76 33 S. Co. 9,36660
deg. and min.	
Moon's declin. S. 25 05	Co. tan. 10,32967
	Co. tan. 9,69627 63 35
Moon's declinat. S. 25 05	S. Co. ar. 0,37270
Moon's true cent. altitude. } 27 01 S.	9,65732
	Co. tang. 63 35 S. 9,95209
	S. Co. 9,98211 16 20
	47 15 true lat.

5h. 20' 36" angle } At the ship.	
of time conv.	
into deg. and	80 09 S. Co. 9,23318
minutes.	
Moon's declinat. S. 25 05	Co. tan. 10,32967
	Co. tan. 9,56285 69 55
Moon's declinat. S. 25 05	S. Co. ar. 0,37270
Moon's true cent. altitude. } 24 37 S.	9,61965
	Co. tang. 69 55 S. 9,97274
	S. Co. 9,96509 22 40
	47 15 true lat.

(b) See page 3, and 4.

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When you find your longitude at the ship, by account, to be incorrect—In order to obtain your latitude, by the moon's true central altitude, you must increase, or diminish, the angle of time at the ship accordingly, viz. if your reckoning is a-head of the ship it must be diminished: if the ship is a-head of the reckoning it must be increased proportionably—For instance, in the (c) second Example, the reckoning was found to be 3 degrees and 20 minutes a-head of the ship, which is equal to 30 seconds, which 30" taken from 3h. 15' 34", (the angle of time, by account, at the ship, when the observation was made) will leave it at 3h. 15' 04"; and the true time by account, 11' 10", being diminished in the like manner, will leave the *real* true time at (d) 10' 40".

(c) See Page 5, and 6.

(d) See Page 32.

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EXAMPLE II.

The 6th (e) day of March 1767, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, apparent time, in the latitude of $37^{\circ} 00'$ north, the moon's true central altitude was found to be $49^{\circ} 43\frac{1}{2}'$ at the meridian of Greenwich; and her true central altitude at the ship $47^{\circ} 35\frac{1}{2}'$; the angle of time was 3h. 4m. $24''$ at the former, and at the latter 3h. 15m. $34''$, with $26^{\circ} 16'$ north declination.—Then,

h.			At Greenwich.	
3	04	24	Angle of time converted into deg. and min. }	
			46 06 S. Co.	9,84098
			Moon's decl. N. 26 16	Co. ta. 10,30670
				Co. ta. 10,14768
				35 26 $\frac{1}{2}$
			Moon's decl. N. 26 16 S. Co. ar.	0,35405
			D's true cent. }	
			altitude 49 43 $\frac{1}{2}$ S.	9,88248
			Co. tang. 35 26 $\frac{1}{2}$	9,76330 $\frac{1}{2}$
			S. Co.	9,99983 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1 33 $\frac{2}{3}$
0 11 10				
0 30			ded.	true latitude 37 00

0 10 40			At the ship.	
3 15 04			Angle of time converted into deg. and min. }	
(f)			48 46 S. Co. ar.	9,81896
			Moon's decl. N. 26 16	Co. ta. 10,30670
				Co. ta. 10,12566
				36 49 $\frac{1}{2}$
			Moon's decl. N. 26 16 S. Co. ar.	0,35405
			D's true cent. }	
			altitude 47 35 $\frac{1}{2}$ S.	9,86826
			Co. tang. 36 49 $\frac{1}{2}$ S.	9,77768
			S. Co.	9,99999 0 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
				true latitude 37 00

(e) See Page 5, and 6.

(f) See Page 32.

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When your operation either at the ship, or at Greenwich, or both, turns out in such manner, that your last sine complement (in the Tables of Sines and Tangents) answers to figures all like one another, such as (g) 9,99999, (as in the last Example); or any other figures, that are annexed to more than one number, such as 9,99998, which last figures are annexed to eleven different numbers in that Table—then, in such case, you should take the middlemost of these numbers, or the half of eleven, which is five and a half.—So with 9,99999, which last figures, are annexed to twenty-three different numbers, in the beginning of that Table, the half will be found to be eleven and a half.—But an Example of this kind seldom happens.

(g) See page 33.

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EXAMPLE III.

The 16th (*b*) day of July 1768, at 5 o'clock in the morning, apparent time, in the latitude of $46^{\circ} 52'$ north, the moon's true central altitude was found to be $43^{\circ} 24'$ at the meridian of Greenwich, and her true central altitude at the ship $45^{\circ} 24'$; the angle of time was 3h. 20' 38" at the former, and at the latter 3h. 8' 38", with $22^{\circ} 25'$ north declination.—Then,

The ang. of time		At Greenwich.	
which is 3h. 20'			
38" conv. into			
deg. and min.			
Moon's declin. N. 22 52		Co. tan. 10,37496	
		Co. tan. 10,18158	$33^{\circ} 21\frac{1}{2}'$
Moon's declin. N. 22 52		S. Co. ar.	0,41053
Moon's true cent.		43 24 S.	9,83702
altitude.		Co. tang. 33 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ S.	9,74026
		S. Co.	9,98781 13 30 $\frac{1}{2}$
			46 52 true la.

3h. 8' 38" angle		At the ship.	
of time conv.			
into degr. and			
minutes			
Moon's declinat. N. 22 52		Co. tan. 10,37496	
		Co. tan. 10,20746	31 48 $\frac{1}{2}$
Moon's declin. N. 22 52		S. Co. ar.	0,41053
Moon's true cent.		45 24 S.	9,85248
altitude		Co. tang. 31 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ S.	9,72180
		S. Co.	9,98481 15 03 $\frac{1}{2}$
			46 52 true la.

(*b*) See page 7, and 8.

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When your observation of the moon is taken at, or near the break, or (*i*) close of day, which will sometimes happen (as in the first Example), and the sun consequently below the horizon, you must depend, some small time, upon your watch going right, for the truth of your apparent time. —(And, it would be a very bad watch indeed, that would not keep equal time for the space of two or three hours.)

When your observation is taken at, or near noon, and the sun consequently at, or near the meridian, which will sometimes happen, (as in the (*k*) fourth Example) you must likewise depend, some small time, upon your watch going right, for the truth of your apparent time; except the sun is in, or near the zenith.

(*i*) See page 3.

(*k*) See page 9.

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EXAMPLE IV.

The 1st (1) day of September 1772, at 28 minutes after 11 o'clock, apparent time, A. M. in the latitude of $20^{\circ} 48'$ south, the moon's true central altitude was found to be $33^{\circ} 24'$ at the meridian of Greenwich; and her true central altitude at the ship $39^{\circ} 24\frac{1}{2}'$; the angle of time was 3h. 51' 00" at the former, and at the latter 3h. 25' 15", with $9^{\circ} 29'$ south declination.—Then,

The ang. of time } At Greenwich.			
which is 3h. 51' }			
10" conv. into }	57 45	S. Co.	9,72722
deg. and min. }			
Moon's declin. S. 9 29		Co. tan.	10,77717
		Co. tan.	10,50439
			17 23
Moon's declin. S. 9 29	S. Co. ar.		0,78315
Moon's true cent. altitude. }	33 24	S.	9,74075
	Co. tang.	17 23	S. 9,47532
	S. Co.		9,99922
			3 25
			20 48 true L.

3h. 25' 15" angle } At the ship.			
of time conv. }			
into degr. and }	51 18 $\frac{1}{4}$	S. Co.	9,79592
minutes }			
Moon's declin. S. 9 29		Co. tan.	10,77717
		Co. tan.	10,57309
			14 57 $\frac{3}{4}$
Moon's declin. S. 9 29	S. Co. ar.		0,78315
Moon's true cent. altitude. }	39 24 $\frac{1}{2}$	S.	9,80266
	Co. tang.	14 57 $\frac{3}{4}$	S. 9,41193
	S. Co.		9,99774
			5 50 $\frac{1}{4}$
			20 48 true L.

(1) See page 9, and 10.

When you find your longitude at the ship, by account, to be incorrect—in order to obtain your latitude, by the moon's true central altitude, (as has been (*m*) before observed) you must increase, or diminish, the angle of time at the ship accordingly; viz. if your reckoning is a-head of the ship it must be diminished; as in Example the second: if the ship is a-head of the reckoning, it must be increased proportionably—For instance, in the (*n*) fifth Example, the ship was found to be $2^{\circ} 48'$ a-head of the reckoning, which is equal to 27 seconds, which 27 seconds added to $14' 10''$, (the true time, by account) will make it $14' 37''$ for the *real* true time; and which $14' 37''$, taken from $3\text{h. } 20' 24''$, (the angle of time at Greenwich) will leave the *real* true angle of time at the ship (*o*) $3\text{h. } 5' 47''$.

(*m*) See page. 32.

(*n*) See page 11, and 12.

(*o*) See page 39.

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EXAMPLE V.

The 30th (p) day of March 1770, at 15 minutes after 6 o'clock in the afternoon, apparent time, in the latitude of $50^{\circ} 20'$ north, the moon's true central altitude was found to be $43^{\circ} 05\frac{1}{2}'$ at the meridian of Greenwich, and her true central altitude at the ship $40^{\circ} 54'$; the angle of time was 3h. 20' 24" at the former, and at the latter 3h. 6' 14", with $20^{\circ} 40'$ north declination.—Then,

h.		At Greenwich.	
3	20 24	Angle of time converted into deg. and min. } $50^{\circ} 06'$	S. Co. 9,80715
		Moon's decl. N. 20 40	Co. ta. 10,42342
			Co. ta. 10,23057 $30^{\circ} 27\frac{1}{2}'$
		Moon's decl. N. 20 40	S. Co. ar. 0,45232
		D's true cent. altitude. } $40^{\circ} 54'$	S. 9,81606
		Co. tang. $30^{\circ} 27\frac{1}{2}'$	S. 9,70494
		S. Co.	9,97332 19 52 $\frac{3}{4}$
		true latitude $50^{\circ} 20'$	

0 14 10
0 0 27 add
0 14 37

		At the ship.	
3	05 47	Angle of time converted into deg. and min. } $46^{\circ} 26\frac{1}{2}'$	S. Co. 9,83824
		Moon's decl. N. 20 40	Co. ta. 10,42342
			Co. ta. 10,26166 28 42
		Moon's decl. N. 20 40	S. Co. ar. 0,45232
		D's true cent. altitude. } $43^{\circ} 05\frac{1}{2}'$	S. 9,83452
		Co. tang. 28 42	S. 9,68144
		S. Co.	9,96828 21 38
		true latitude $50^{\circ} 20'$	

(p) See page 11, and 12.

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EXAMPLE VI.

The 22d (q) day of March 1772, at 7 o'clock in the morning, apparent time, in the latitude of $27^{\circ} 00'$ south, the moon's true central altitude was found to be $28^{\circ} 22\frac{1}{2}'$ at the meridian of Greenwich; and her true central altitude at the ship $24^{\circ} 49'$; the angle of time was 4h. 19' 43" at the former, and at the latter 4h. 35' 42", with $13^{\circ} 51'$ south declination.—Then,

The ang of time		At Greenwich.	
which is 4h. 19' 43" conv. into deg. and min.			
		$64^{\circ} 55\frac{3}{4}'$ S. Co.	9,62710
Moon's declin. S. 13 51		Co. tan. 10,60809	
		Co. tan. 10,23519	$30^{\circ} 11\frac{1}{2}'$
Moon's declin. S. 13 51		S. Co. ar.	0,62092
Moon's true central altitude		$28^{\circ} 22\frac{1}{2}'$ S.	9,67692
		Co. tang. $30^{\circ} 11\frac{1}{2}'$ S.	9,70148
		S. Co.	9,99932
			$3^{\circ} 11\frac{1}{2}'$
			<u>27 00 true l.</u>

4h. 35' 42" ang. of time conv. into degr. and minutes		At the ship.	
		$68^{\circ} 55\frac{1}{2}'$ S. Co.	9,55579
Moon's declin. S. 13 51		Co. tan. 10,60809	
		Co. tan. 10,16388	$34^{\circ} 26\frac{1}{4}'$
Moon's declin. S. 13 51		S. Co. ar.	0,62092
D's true central altitude		$24^{\circ} 49'$ S.	9,62296
		Co. tang. $34^{\circ} 26\frac{1}{4}'$ S.	9,75243
		S. Co.	9,99631
			$7^{\circ} 26\frac{1}{4}'$
			<u>27 00 true l.</u>

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(q) See page 13, and 14.

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EXAMPLE VII.

The 25th (r) day of July 1767, at half an hour after 7 o'clock in the morning, apparent time, in the latitude of $17^{\circ} 30'$ south, the moon's true central altitude was found to be $18^{\circ} 48\frac{1}{2}'$ at the meridian of Greenwich; and her true central altitude at the ship $14^{\circ} 46\frac{1}{4}'$; the angle of time was 4h. 07' 20" at the former, and at the latter 4h. 26' 26", with $19^{\circ} 43'$ north declination.—Then,

The ang. of time } which is 4h. 07' 20" conv. into } deg. and min. }		At Greenwich.	
		$61^{\circ} 50'$ S. Co.	9,67398
Moon's declin. N. 19 43		Co. tan. 10,44566	
		Co. tan. 10,11964	$37^{\circ} 12\frac{1}{2}'$
Moon's declin. N. 19 43		S. Co. ar.	0,47191
Moon's true cen- } ral altitude }		$18^{\circ} 48\frac{1}{2}'$ S.	9,50834
Co. tang. $37^{\circ} 12\frac{1}{2}'$ S.			9,78152
		S. Co.	9,76177
			$54^{\circ} 42\frac{1}{2}'$
			17 30 true l.

4h. 26' 26" ang. } of time conv. } into degr. and } minutes }		At the ship.	
		$66^{\circ} 36\frac{1}{2}'$ S. Co.	9,59880
Moon's declin. N. 19 43		Co. tan. 10,44566	
		Co. tan. 10,04446	$42^{\circ} 04\frac{1}{2}'$
Moon's declin. N. 19 43		S. Co. ar.	0,47191
D's true central } altitude }		$14^{\circ} 46\frac{1}{4}'$ S.	9,40648
Co. tang. $42^{\circ} 04\frac{1}{2}'$ S.			9,82613
		S. Co.	9,70452
			$59^{\circ} 34\frac{1}{2}'$
(r) See page 15, and 16.			17 30 true l.

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EXAMINER.

The earth (or) day of July 1871, at half an hour
when 7.30 clock in the morning, apparent time, the
latitude of 17° 30' South, the moon's true
altitude was found to be 12° 11' at the time
of observation; and her true central altitude
at the 14.45 a local angle of time was 41
of 20° at the horizon, and at the latter alt. 30
with 19° 43' north declination.—Then,

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- 17 17 for 12° 11' read 12° 10'.
- 19 for 16 22 read 16 23.
- 24 for note (c) read note (e).
- On the next page to 29, for 18 read 30.



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